

TRAVANCORE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FIRST SESSION, 1100.

Monday, 2nd February, 1925.

(OFFICIAL REPORT.)

The Council met in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall at Eleven Thirty-eight of the Clock, with the President in the Chair.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

[Order made by the President under Standing Order No. 12 -

(1) Printed copies of the questions and answers to be put and given at a meeting of the Council shall be placed on the Council table 15 minutes before the President takes his seat.

(2) The questions shall be put and answered in the following manner :—

The Secretary shall call the name of each interpellator in serial order, specify the serial number of his questions and make a sufficient pause to allow him a reasonable opportunity of rising in his place, if he is desirous of asking a supplementary question. Supplementary questions must be put immediately after the principal questions to which they relate.]

Checking of Accounts in Treasuries.

31. MR. M. R. MADHAVA VARIAR (*Chengannur cum Pattanam-titta*): (a) Do the Government propose to institute a close scrutiny of the accounts of all treasuries?

(b) What is the amount which the Government propose to spend for the deputation of an officer and his staff to Quilon for checking the accounts?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Financial Secretary to Government*): (a) The accounts of treasuries are required to be closely scrutinised by their controlling officers. The question whether the scrutiny is being properly carried out at present, and, if not, what additional instructions are necessary in the matter, will be considered after the present Quilon Treasury defalcation case is finally disposed of.

(b) An expenditure of about Rs. 1,565 has been incurred on account of the additional staff entertained, their T. A., etc., in connection with the investigation into the defalcations in the Quilon Treasury.

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